Kirkland Transportation Commission Meeting Notes Wednesday April 30, 2014

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Call to Order

Chair Singhal called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. <u>Members Present</u>: Tom Neir, Lisa McConnell, John Perlic, Carl Wilson, Tom Pendergrass, Mike Snow. <u>Kirkland Staff Present</u>: Dave Godfrey, Thang Nguyen; Public Works Department; Jon Regala; Planning and Community Development Department

Approval of meeting notes from February 26, 2013 meeting.

Approved unanimously.

Public Comment None

Right size parking

This was an informational report. Jon Regala reviewed the right sized parking initiative including the process and some examples of how the calculator worked. The Commission asked questions about data gathering and how parking requirements are estimated for multi-use buildings. There were also questions about the model's use of transit, given the instability of transit service.

Cross Kirkland Corridor Master Plan

Brad McGuirt of Berger Partnership presented a final draft of the Master Plan to collect the Commission's last comments. The Commission had questions and comments on the width of the area assumed for Transit, a better name for the Buzz Zone, funding and phasing including the idea of improvement packages around themes. Comments were also made around the need for prioritizing connections, particularly the connection to SR 520 as was the need to make improvements sooner rather than later. The fact that specific parking will not be provided was discussed.

Transportation Master Plan

Sandeep Singhal and staff reviewed the April 26 Community Future Day. Kendra Breiland consultant with Fher & Peers walked the Commission through various modes and investment levels associated with each mode as presented on April 26. The Commission asked that a pedestrian network be considered similar to the greenway network. Bicycle projects should be included that connect to regional trails, transit service should include attention to the Houghton Park and Ride. General comments included the need for a balance more away from auto projects and the need to keep big ideas in the plan.

Updates from Commissioners and Staff

Staff reported on Metro's service cuts, staffing changes in PW, the Lakefront Promenade that is scheduled to go before Council in July, and future Commission meeting dates.

Meeting adjourned Unanimously approved to adjourn 8:40 p.m.